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Comprehensive Community Plan

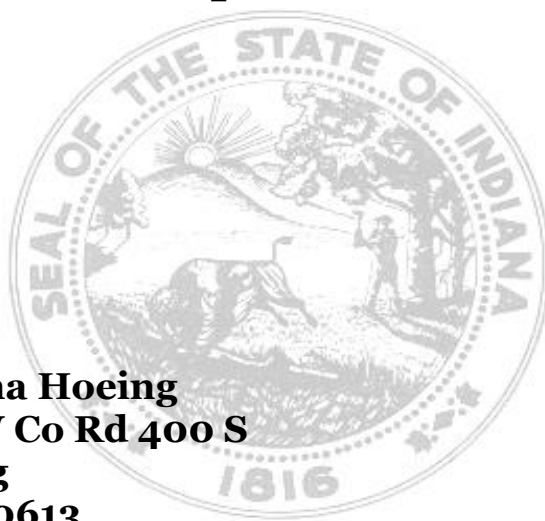
County: Decatur

LCC: Community Action Coalition

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New Plan X Plan Update



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Plan Summary

Mission Statement:

The CAC works to decrease substance abuse and related behaviors by promoting healthy choices in Decatur County.

History:

The Decatur County Local Coordinating Council was formed in 1991. The LCC voted to do business as the Association for Substance Abuse Prevention and adopted the acronym ASAP as its logo. Nearly 100 leaders throughout Decatur County met to discuss the vision for our county. The Community Action Coalition learned that many organizations throughout Decatur County were already working on some of the same issues and, in order to make the best use of time and effort, they needed to know what each of these organizations was doing so that each group could build on the other's work instead of each doing the same thing. In order to do this, a Coordinator was hired in May, 1994 to inventory services available in the public and private sector, coordinate public relations, and work closely with the youth coordinator (funded by Local Drug-Free monies) and to convene the Subcommittees of the CAC. As the Coordinator became more involved with the CAC and the ASAP, it was noted that the two groups focused on several similar issues. As it became more evident to all, it was voted that the two groups merge. The merged group is now the Local Coordinating Council, a/k/a the Community Action Coalition.

Summary of the Comprehensive Community Plan:

The Community Action Coalition continues to make significant strides in community awareness regarding alcohol and other drug problems. The Community Action Coalition's focus continues to be on monitoring the programs funded by the Community Drug-Free Fund, although this funding expires in September, 2015. We also continue our involvement with the community and collaborating with local organizations and agencies in terms of resources, monies, ideas, volunteers, etc.

Upon approval of this newly written Comprehensive Community Plan, the Coalition will create and implement a plan of action based on the needs identified within the Problem Statements. Annual Plan Updates will be submitted for 2015 thru 2018.

The Coalition took great care in preparing a Comprehensive Community Plan that would reflect long-term needs and concerns of all parts of the community. We began with a core group to evaluate and develop what was seen as the counties' main issues regarding substance abuse, followed by the buy-in of the entire coalition. Coalition representatives presented supporting data and recommended actions for each issue. Resources used in determining ATOD issues were the IPRC high school survey, data from local social agencies, data collected from the judicial system as well as both law enforcement agencies in the county. The LCC's Comprehensive Plan was completed by the Coalition's Sub-Committee with assistance from the Coalition's Coordinator, and the Commission For A Drug-Free Indiana Community Consultant. The plan was then reviewed, revised and approved by the Local Coordinating Council. It should be noted that this new plan coincides with the timing of a Community Health Investment Plan being led by our local hospital. Our Comprehensive Community Plan is being evaluated and incorporated by the CHIP group.

The LCC identified four main problems to be addressed in the coming year. They are:

Problem Statement #1: Gateway drugs (marijuana, alcohol and tobacco) continue to be a concern in our youth population.

Problem Statement #2: Prescription drug abuse is a growing concern.

Problem Statement #3: ATOD use and abuse continues to contribute negatively to the family structure.

Since the creation of the Community Action Coalition in 1991, we have attempted to bring together a cross section of the community in a county wide effort to address substance abuse issues facing our county. Decatur County has a population of approximately 25,000. It covers a geographic area that consists primarily of farming and some light industrial businesses. Greensburg, the county seat, is located along I-74 midway between Indianapolis and Cincinnati. We have two school corporations in the county, as well as two private school systems.

Following approval by the State Commission, the LCC will work with community organizations to plan and implement programs which address the problems and recommended actions identified in the plan. The County Commissioners will have final approval of funding allocations from the County Drug-Free Communities Fund to support such programs. The LCC will monitor the progress of these programs bi-annually through a reporting system.

Annual grants become available in September, oral presentations will be in November, voting on programs will take place in November and notification to new grantees will be in December. This schedule helps the coalition determine a budget for the following year based on the current year's collections.

Funds become available January 1st of the following year. In the summer of 2005, the coalition voted to adopt a scoring sheet which encourages applicants to better adapt their programs to directly address the problem statements.

Membership List

County LCC Name:

#	Name	Organization	Race	Gender	Category
1	Bill Meyerrose	Greensburg Police Dept.	Caucasian	M	Parent
2	Sandra Gabbard	Dec. Co. Healthy Family	Caucasian	F	Labor
3	Leslie Thackery	Gilliland-Howe Funeral Home	Caucasian	F	Business
4	Rob Duckworth	Dec. Co. Sheriff's Dept.	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement/Education
5	Katie Beyer	Greensburg School	Caucasian	M	Education
6	Stacey Chasteen	Greensburg Police Dept.	Caucasian	F	Law Enforcement
7	Sarah McVey	Dec. Co. Memorial Hospital	Caucasian	F	Medical
8	Penni Bostelman	Dec. Co. Family YMCA	Caucasian	F	Other
9	Barb Lecher	Dec. Co. School Corporation	Caucasian	F	Education
10	Jim Rosenberry	Dec. Co. Prosecutor	Caucasian	M	Judiciary
11	Jacquie Buell	Probation	Caucasian	M	Judiciary
12	Laura Welborn	Greensburg Daily News	Caucasian	F	Media
13	Brittani Saunders	Decatur Co. Solid Waste	Caucasian	F	Business
14	Andrea Dennett	Re/Max	Caucasian	F	Civic Organization
15	Michelle Brown	Centerstone	Caucasian	F	Treatment
16	Mark Vice	New Point Christian Church	Caucasian	M	Religion
17	Carrie Hess	South Decatur High School	Caucasian	F	Education
18	Natalie Acra	Greensburg Daily News	Caucasian	F	Parent
19	Linda Simmers	Family Connections	Caucasian	F	Treatment

20	Janet Chadwell	Dec. Co. Auditor	Caucasian	F	Local Gov't.
21	Caroline Keen	Greensburg High School	Caucasian	F	

Problem Identification

A. Problem Statement #1: Gateway drugs (marijuana, alcohol and tobacco) continue to be a concern in our youth population.

B. Supportive Data:

1. According to the **SEL3CT Community Survey** conducted in 2013/2014 the top 5 drug choices of teens in Decatur County in order are alcohol, marijuana, prescription drugs, over the counter, then methamphetamine/K-2 spice/heroin. The top two drugs of choice are considered gateway drugs.
2. 95.5% of the 119 parents, school personnel and community members that completed the SEL3CT Community Survey in 2013/2014 reported alcohol use by underage youth is a problem.
3. 90.4% of the 119 parents, school personnel and community members that completed the SEL3CT Community Survey in 2013/2014 reported drug use by youth is a problem.
4. 50% of school personnel and community respondents that completed the SEL3CT Community Survey in 2013/2014 agree that parents are likely to allow youth to attend parties where alcohol will be served.
5. Between the Greensburg Police Department, Decatur County Sheriff's Department, and Indiana State Police, there were 72 minors arrested for minor consuming, and 65 arrested for minor possession in 2013.
6. At the end of 2013, 65 juveniles were under the supervision of the juvenile probation department. 27 (12%) were substance abuse related.
7. Monthly Alcohol Use as reported by the 2014 IPRC ATOD Survey reveals at all grades 7 through 12 in the Decatur County School Corporation report higher use than state average: 7th grade – 7.2%/state – 7.1%; 8th grade – 14.1%/state – 12.2%; 9th grade – 19.5%/state – 17.1%; 10th grade – 30.2%/state – 22.6%; 11th grade – 41.4%/state – 25.8%; & 12th grade - 52.6%/state – 33.9%. The Greensburg Community School Corporation's data shows that all grades 6-12, except 8 report monthly use at a rate higher than state average: 6th grade – 5.4%/state – 3.8%; 7th grade – 12.2%/state – 7.1%; 9th grade – 28.6%/state – 17.1%; 10th grade – 24.8%/state – 22.6%; 11th grade – 27.2%/state – 25.8%; & 12th grade - 40%/state – 33.9%.
8. Monthly Marijuana Use as reported by the 2014 IPRC ATOD Survey reveals at all grade 10 in the Decatur County School Corporation report higher use than state average: 10th grade – 19.5%/state – 17.1%. The Greensburg Community School Corporation's data shows that all grades 6-12, except 8,10 & 12 report monthly use at a rate higher than state average: 6th grade – 2%/state – 1.3%; 7th grade – 4.3%/state – 2.9%; 9th grade – 13%/state – 9.4%; & 11th grade – 17.6%/state – 15.8%.
9. Monthly Cigarette Use as reported by the 2014 IPRC ATOD Survey reveals at all grades 7 through 12, except 8, in the Decatur County School Corporation report higher use than state average: 7th grade – 3.9%/state – 3.3%; 9th grade –

16.4%/state – 9.3%; 10th grade – 19.4%/state – 11.9%; 11th grade – 33.6%/state – 15%; & 12th grade - 34.5%/state – 17.6%. The Greensburg Community School Corporation's data shows that all grades 6-12, except 12 report monthly use at a rate higher than state average: 6th grade – 3.4%/state – 1.7%; 7th grade – 6.1%/state – 3.3%; 8th grade - 10.6%/state – 6%; 9th grade – 19.5%/state – 9.3%; 10th grade – 15.9%/state – 11.9%; & 11th grade – 20%/state – 15%.

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C. Goals:

1. Reduce the community perception that parents are likely to allow youth to attend parties where alcohol is served.
2. Reduce the number of juveniles on probation that is substance abuse related.

End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**End of Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:****Final Report (end of Year 3):****D. Objectives:**

1. Maintain regular contact with legislators expressing a desire NOT to legalize marijuana in Indiana. Contact includes letter writing campaigns, emails, attending meet-and-greets, etc.
2. Continue to implement the Chad Varga curriculum at the junior high level. This curriculum was purchased for first implementation in the 2014-15 school year at the 7th grade level. Ensure this curriculum is used and continues to be taught. The Varga curriculum is a hands-on, real-life drug-free lesson plan.

3. Work with schools to continue drug-free educational programs as needed and available.
4. To work with outlets serving alcohol and not serving to teens.

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A. Problem Statement #2: Prescription drug abuse is a growing concern.**B. Supportive Data:**

1. Between the Greensburg Police Department, Decatur County Sheriff's Department and Indiana State Police, in 2013, there were 79 arrests for possession of a controlled substance, 74 arrests for dealing a controlled substance and 13 arrests for possession of a legend drug.
2. The Decatur County Sheriff's Department and Greensburg Police Department host a "drop off" box for unused/expired medications. For 2013, a total of 336 pounds, were collected and disposed of properly by an outside vendor.
3. According to the Department of Child Services, in 2013 481 drug screens were performed. 139 screens tested positive, (28.8%) with THC (52 positive screens), hydrocodone (33 positive screens), methamphetamine (27 positive screens), amphetamine 2(25 positive screens), and oxycodone (14 positive screens), the five drugs most commonly found in the positive screens.
4. In 2013, the Decatur County Memorial Hospital had 31 pregnancies with drug related dependency codes. Additionally in 2013, the hospital had 70 patients through the ER, Observation, ACU or Inpatient who had "drug related poisoning". This would include overdoses – intentional or unintentional and could be prescription or non-prescription drugs.
5. Healthy Families screening processed 49 mothers during 2013. 15 of the mothers reported using drugs within the last two years either "pot" or "prescription medication". 2 of these reported to continue using drugs while pregnant. 9 mothers reported abuse of alcohol while 32 mothers reported smoking while pregnant with 5 of those reducing their smoking and 8 quit smoking while 19 continued to smoke.
6. Prescription Drugs is perceived as the third top drug of choice by Decatur County teens according to the 2013/2014 SEL3CT Community Survey taken by 120 Decatur County adults.
7. Monthly RX Drug Use as reported by the 2014 IPRC ATOD Survey reveals at all grades 7 through 12, except 8 & 10, in the Decatur County School Corporation report higher use than state average: 7th grade – 1.3%/state – 1.2%; 9th grade – 3.1%/state – 3%; 11th grade – 4.7%/state – 4.4%; & 12th grade – 5.2%/state – 5%. The Greensburg Community School Corporation's data shows that all grades 6-12, except 7, 9, & 12 report monthly use at a rate higher than state average: 6th grade – 1.3%/state – 0.7%; 8th grade - 2.1%/state – 2%; 10th grade – 4.3%/state – 3.9%; & 11th grade – 5.6%/state – 4.4%.

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C. Goals:

1. To increase the pounds of medications collected through proper disposal at the Decatur County Sheriff's Department and the Greensburg Police Department.
2. Decrease at least one additional grade in each school to report 30 Day RX Drug Use to below state average.

End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:

End of Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:

Final Report (end of Year 3):

D. Objectives:

1. Schedule a DEA training for doctors and pharmacists to discuss current trends with prescription writing (in particular, concerns with prescription refills).
2. Educational programs for the administrative staff at nursing homes. Training will focus on signs of prescription theft among LPNs and CNAs.
3. Continue and expand Dispose-All program by creating awareness of this service.
4. Educate government-assisted housing facilities on potential signs and opportunities of prescription drug abuse. Educate occupants of the disposal options offered at the Decatur County Sheriff's Department and the Greensburg Police Department.
5. Develop educational anti-RX abuse campaign aimed at students and adults.
6. Educate community on the dangers of sharing prescribed medications.

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A. Problem Statement #3: ATOD use and abuse continues to contribute negatively to the family structure.**B. Supportive Data:**

1. According to the Department of Child Services, in 2013 481 drug screens were performed. 139 screens tested positive, (28.8%) with THC (52 positive screens), hydrocodone (33 positive screens), methamphetamine (27 positive screens), amphetamine 2(25 positive screens), and oxycodone (14 positive screens), the five drugs most commonly found in the positive screens. Please note that since Forensic Fluids can test for more than 120 drugs and compounds, the report listed a limited number of drugs/compounds and may not indicate “every drug” that tested positive. The “positives” reflect the total number of drug screen samples that were positive and that one drug screen sample can test positive for more than one drug/compound. Also, it should be noted that some screens may be positive but the individual has a valid prescription for the substance.
2. During the Healthy Families screening process (1/1/13 to 12/31/13), they have assessed 49 mothers. 15 of the mothers reported using drugs within the last two years either “pot” or “prescription medication”. 2 of those reported to continue using drugs while pregnant. 9 mothers reported abuse of alcohol while 32 mothers reported smoking while pregnant with 5 of those reducing their smoking and 8 quit smoking while 19 continued to smoke. The state now requires Healthy Families to have the father present for assessment and sign consents or otherwise they can’t track his information even if the mother reports it. The numbers are a little misleading. 5 fathers report to using “pot, K2 spice, synthetic pot” and 5 report abusing alcohol. Additionally, Healthy Families screens for interpersonal violence (DV just a new name) that has happened to a family within the past 12 months. They had 3 screen positive for IPV. The 3 questions are about violence between the parents, police have been called to their house, if they are afraid of someone (previous boyfriend or other person who is threatening to them).
3. In 2013, the Decatur County Memorial Hospital had 31 pregnancies with drug related dependency codes. Additionally in 2013, the hospital had 70 patients through the ER, Observation, ACU or Inpatient who had “drug related poisoning”. This would include overdoses – intentional or unintentional and could be prescription or non-prescription drugs.
4. Parent Gatherings occurred in Greensburg with an average of 5 parents attending. Decatur County Families also attended a regional United Families Holiday Dinner and United Families Summer Picnic. The Parent Gatherings and the stated events are educational support groups for parents of kids with emotional/behavioral issues.

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Final Update (end of Year 3):**C. Goals:**

1. Increase the number of families participating in Family Gatherings provided by One Community One Family.
2. Decrease the number of drug related births at Decatur County Memorial Hospital.
3. Decrease the number of drug related poisonings treated at the Decatur County Memorial Hospital.

End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**End of Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:****Final Report (end of Year 3):****D. Objectives:**

1. Assist various groups with education on pre-natal care
2. Continue to support the Celebrate Recovery group, which is working to help alcohol and drug addicts.
3. Continue partnership with OCOF.
4. Provide community-wide training on the 40 Developmental Assets.
5. Collaborate with the Decatur County Board of Health, local physicians, WIC, Pregnancy Center and the Community Healthcare Clinic to provide education and awareness.
6. Work collaboratively with the community at large, as well as the medical and social service community to educate pregnant women about the dangers of substance abuse.
7. Support the development and implementation of evidence-supported interventions in Decatur County.
8. Develop a marketing campaign to focus on the family structure.
9. Work collaboratively with the local domestic violence shelters as well as social service agencies to collect more specific data regarding the connection of substance abuse and family violence.

End of Year 1 Update:**End of Year 2 Update:****Final Update (end of Year 3):**

Next Annual Update Due: August 2017

Next Comprehensive Community Plan Due: August 2015

Date of Community Consultant Review:

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